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## T'IEN-CHING, T'AI-YUAN FACTORIES INCREASE PRODUCTION, CUT COSTS

COST-REDUCING PROGRAM SUCCESSFUL -- Ta King Pao, 19 Oct 49

T'ien-ching, 16 October (NCNA) -- T'ien-ching reports great success in its over-all program of reducing production costs. In one steel factory, during a 16-day test period, production was stepped up by 2.5 tons per furnace while 6 percent was saved on raw materials, 43 percent on coal, and 22 times less electricity was consumed.

Similarly, the T'ien-ching Railroad Bureau claims that, without adding any more workers, the construction and repair of cars has been greatly increased.

In T'ai-yuan both light and heavy industries are experiencing trementous increases in production.

The T'ai-yuan arsenal was converted entirely to peacetime production and is now mammfacturing production machinery and cranes.

In the iron and steel industry, September production figures are from 10 to 12 percent higher than those for August. The quality of coke has been raised and the ash content reduced by one percent. A production goal of 20,667 tons of coal was set originally, but this was surpassed by 2,300 tons. The most striking results are in the chemical industry. The work has been stepped up from the August daily output of 0.863 tons per worker to 1.09 in September, surpassing even prewar records. Although the machinery is outmoded, T'ai-yuan has improved and increased its electric power supply 4,450,000 watta [sic/. As for light industry, cotton yarn and paper production has increased and costs have been reduced.

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T'AI-YUAN FACTORIES SURPASS GOALS -- Wen-hui Pao, 30 Oct 49

T'ai-yuan, 29 October -- Through extended efforts by the workers, the government-operated mines and factories in T'ai-yuan were able to surpass their September production goals. The steel company surpassed its 5,000 ton production goal of refined coke by 470 tons, and of wrought iron and refined steel by 200 and 170 tons, respectively. The coal and iron company set its November coal output at 29,205 tons but was able to produce 30,976,09 tons. The oxygen production of the T'ai-yuan industrial chemical company is now exceeding the normal production during the Japanese occupation.

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